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COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

Resolution #358-15

Moved by: Alex Westerhout

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WHEREAS the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) has an office in Central Huron located on Don Street in the former Town of Clinton;

AND WHEREAS the services of this office are no longer available on a daily basis to the public due to a shortage of staffing;

AND WHEREAS there is a concern that this office may soon be closed;

AND WHEREAS this office is considered a valuable asset to the local community and needs to remain open and operating;

NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Central Huron requests that OMAFRA fill the positions that are currently vacant in the local offices and that all of the local OMAFRA offices be kept open;

AND FURTHER, that this resolution be sent to the Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and to Lisa Thompson, MPP Huron-Bruce;

AND FURTHER, that this resolution be forwarded to the member municipalities of ROMA for support.

Brenda MacIsaac, Clerk
clerk@centralhuron.com

Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
11th Floor, 77 Grenville St., Toronto, ON M7A 1B3

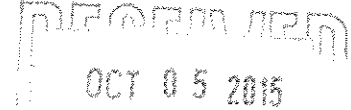
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October 2015

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to send you this call for nominations for the **June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism in Ontario**.

Volunteers play a significant role in leading and supporting services in their communities; they lay the foundation for a strong and dynamic province. This award recognizes exceptional leadership, innovation and creativity in voluntarism and community service. Recipients of this award can include individual volunteers, volunteer groups, businesses and other organizations which have made outstanding contributions to their communities and the province.

Here is what you need to do to submit a nomination for this award program:

- a) Visit ontario.ca/honoursandawards.
- b) Click on the **June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award** icon.
- b) Download the appropriate PDF form.
- c) Read the eligibility criteria and instructions carefully.
- d) Fill out the form, then submit it **no later than December 5, 2015**. Instructions for submitting your package can be found on the website.

If you have any questions please call 416 314-7526, toll free 1 877 832-8622 or TTY 416 327-2391.

I hope you will take this opportunity to ensure that volunteers receive the recognition they deserve.

Thank you for your attention to this important recognition program.

Yours truly,

Michael Chan
Minister

Happy End of Summer to all:

I last corresponded to everyone just prior to the annual AMO Conference in August. This is a follow up to that email along with a request for all of you.

The following occurred at the AMO Conference:

1. The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing visited the ROMA Board Meeting on the Sunday of the Conference. The issue of the power dam compensatory program was raised with the Minister. It is his understanding that the Ministry of Finance is working on this matter.
2. A question to the Minister of Finance was prepared requesting that no changes be made to the compensatory program through to 2016 as the tax policy work, requested by the Premier was not yet completed. Mayor Glenda McKay of the Township of Greater Madawaska offered (thanks Glenda!!) to ask the question at the Ministers Forum. The Parliamentary Assistant Laura Albanese answered on behalf of the Minister as he was not present.

Ms Albanese indicated that since it was expected that a report would be brought to Cabinet in October 2015 on the tax policy matter, no decision on changes to the compensatory program needed to be made at this time. Given this, the government has left its options open for the fall session. This is a wait and see.

3. A Province of Ontario reception was held at the conclusion of the Ministers Forum. At the reception I had an opportunity to discuss the power dam issue with the Assistant Minister, Mitzi Hunter who is very familiar with the matter. Ms Hunter did say to me that the Province is committed to resolving this issue and was looking forward to the October report.
4. Mayor Glenda McKay, CAO, Alison Holtzhauer (both of Greater Madawaska), myself and Councillor Yvan Besner from Wawa met with Carla Nell of the Municipal Tax Advisory Group (MTAG). The purpose of the meeting was to research the possibilities, subject to a terms of reference, for MTAG to provide technical assistance with respect to the current tax policy work being undertaken by the Ministry of Finance on power dams.

Given that MTAG has been retained for power dam matters concerning current Assessment Review Board work, there could be some real benefits to engaging them in this matter. Many if not all of our communities lack the necessary resources to review and provide detailed comments on a tax policy shift of this magnitude. The results of this process for many of us may greatly impact our future local financial model.

This leads us to a request for the group. Retaining MTAG in this endeavor comes at a cost. Obviously the cost of this will be driven by a Terms of Reference. To that end, can you please inform me if your community is willing to:

1. Participate in this process by providing a portion of the costs to retain MTAG? The costs could be split a number of ways, but I would suggest the fairest way may be for all to pay a proportionate share according to the amount of the compensatory grant they receive.
2. If you are in agreement to point #1 above, would you be willing to work on the stated Terms of Reference?
3. It will be necessary that only those who participate financially will be privy to the work by MTAG.

It is imperative that we move forward on this as soon as possible. To that end, I would ask for your response as soon as possible.

Warmest Regards,

Chris Wray
CAO, Wawa

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Office of the
County Warden

October 9, 2015

Mr. Daniel Voisine
Area Manager
Greyhound Canada
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Dear Mr. Voisine:

Our municipality supports the efforts of the Mayor of the City of Pembroke and the Warden of the County of Renfrew to discuss the addition of bus routes in the Deep River to Ottawa corridor. We request Greyhound market the benefits of bus travel to our residents and businesses.

The present time slot the bus service is offered is problematic and we feel has likely caused bus service to be under utilized by visitors, residents, employees, day travellers and our local business community. A review of ideal travelling times and marketing the service may result in an increase in the overall usage of the bus service.

For generations, the bus service has provided many of our residents across the county with the opportunity to travel to other communities within Renfrew County, Ottawa and Eastern Ontario for medical, family and business appointments. The same day travel, when there was a more fulsome route time selection offered, made it a convenience worth considering and supporting. A number of smaller businesses and even some of our larger businesses utilized the parcel/document pick up and drop off as it often was one day or overnight service.

Our Council and our community would request you take advantage of the offer of Mayor Lemay and Warden Emon in the email dated Tuesday, October 6, 2015 to introduce you to our larger community and the individual communities. The email suggested that hospitals, Ontario Disability and Ontario Works staff, seniors groups, Home Support organizations, Probation Services and Child Protection services utilize the service. It mentioned medical and social services which might now consider services in other adjoining communities if their clientele can cope/utilize the bus system with a better schedule. The offer from the Mayor and the Warden will assist you as you attempt to make Greyhound service a relevant component of travel in Renfrew County.

If you have any questions please call me

Sincerely

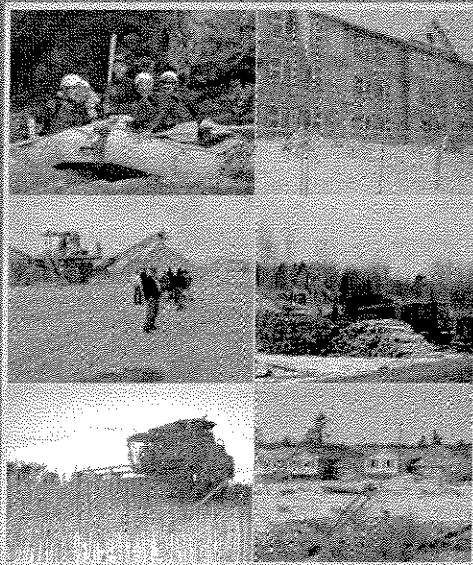
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County of Renfrew

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Preliminary Agenda

- 0830 Registration, check in, refreshments and networking
- 0900 Opening Remarks - Welcome from Warden Emon
- 0915 McSweeney and Associates - Formula for Economic Development Success: An introduction to exactly what Economic Development is and what it involves.
- 0950 Government Assistance to Economic and Business Development Panel: Learn about program and funding assistance from representatives of various provincial and federal government ministries and departments.
- 1030 Networking Break
- 1045 Keynote Speaker: Dr. Denis Cauvier: Engaging Your People for Maximum Economic Opportunities.
- 1200 Lunch, Networking
- 1300 Canadian Nuclear Laboratories, Inc.: Introduction to the new management team and structure of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories, Inc. (CNL) and our own Chalk River Laboratories. Including a preliminary overview of potential future investment in facilities, buildings and science and technology.
- 1400 Business Leader Panel: Best practices, good moves and bad moves, practical ideas from fellow business leaders for you to apply in your business, organization and personal life. Also, suggestions for how all levels of government can assist businesses to continue to be sustainable and competitive.
- 1450 Algonquin College: A tool for personal and business growth and the development of the next generation of entrepreneur, business leader and employ.
- 1500 Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN): An overview of the regional broadband initiative and an outline of the next challenge- filling the mobile/cellular gaps across Renfrew County and Eastern Ontario.
- MAGNET: A new on-line tool for posting and distribution of career opportunities and for employee recruitment. A unique two-way flow of human resources needs and of personal capabilities from the national and global employee pool.
- 1520 Summary of lessons learned.
- 1530 Close

OHTA

Conference.

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2015 Schedule

Please note: Times are subject to change.

26 Oct 2015

27 Oct 2015

- ⊙ 9:00 a.m. **Registration**
- ⊙ 10:00 a.m. **AGM Presentations and Voting**
- ⊙ 11:30 a.m. **Lunch**
- ⊙ 12:30 a.m. **The Power of Emotion in Marketing – Terry O’Reilly**
- ⊙ 1:30 p.m. **Break**
- ⊙ 1:45 p.m. **Partnerships and the Visitor Experience – Stan Cook Jr.**
- ⊙ 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- ⊙ 3:00 p.m. **Success at Home: How Local Businesses are Listening to their Visitors – Industry Panel**
- ⊙ 3:45 p.m. **Closing Remarks**
- ⊙ TBD **Ottawa Valley Night**

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26 Oct 2015

27 Oct 2015

9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Morning Workshops

REGIONAL TOURISM SUCCESS STORIES: INDUSTRY PANEL - (9:30-11:00)

Holly Blefgen, Ontario Outdoor Adventures
Chris Hughes, BC Hughes
Barrie Martin, Yours Outdoors

EXTEND YOUR REACH: PARTNERING WITH OTMPC - (9:30-11:00)

Kathy Marcelline, Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Corporation

DESTINATION DEVELOPMENT PLANS - DO THEY REALLY WORK? - (9:30-11:00)

Cyndy Phillips, Economic Development Officer, Town of Petawawa
Damien McCarthy, Owner, Gearheads Petawawa
Theresa Sabourin, Councillor, Town of Petawawa

EMPOWERING EMPLOYEES - (9:30-11:30)

Jori Kirk, President/CEO, Eco-Adventures 306 Collective

MARKETING IN A DIGITAL AGE: WORKING WITH BLOGGERS TO PROMOTE YOUR BRAND - (11:00-12:00)

Mary Chong, Founder, CalculatedTraveller.com
 Sharon Mendelaoui, Creator/Publisher, Dreamtravelmagazine.com

INSTAGRAM FOR TOURISM BUSINESSES - (11:00-12:00)

Vanessa Chiasson, Creator of TurnipseedTravel and Owner of Sculpt Social

BUSINESS PLANNING FOR SUCCESS - (11:00-12:00)

David Wybou, Business Development Officer, County of Renfrew

New Heading 1 - (11:00 - 1:00)

New Speaker, From This place

⦿ 12:00 p.m.

Lunch

⦿ 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Afternoon Workshops

NEED SUPPORT? FUNDING & PARTNERSHIPS PANEL (1:00-3:00P.M.)

Various Representatives To Be Announced

EXPERIENCE MAPPING: HOW TO TRANSFORM YOUR BUSINESS BY TAPPING INTO THE CUSTOMER JOURNEY (1:00-3:00P.M.)

Marc Whitehead, Senior Strategest, Karo Group

TAKE OFF WITH TRAVEL TRADE: AN INTRODUCTION TO ENGAGING WITH DOMESTIC & INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TRADE (1:00-3:00P.M.)

Holly Bleggen, Ontario Outdoor Adventures

GROWING YOUR BUSINESS BY FOCUSING ON THE POWER OF THE PERSONAL & SOCIAL EXPERIENCE (1:00-3:00P.M.)

Jori Kirk, President/CEO, Eco-Adventures 306 Collective

READY TO HOST A BLOGGER AND DIVE INTO DIGITAL MARKETING? ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS (1:00-4:00P.M.)

Mary Chong, Founder, CalculatedTraveller.com
 Sharon Mendelaoui, Creator/Publisher, Dreamtravelmagazine.com

⦿ 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Full Day Off-Site Workshop

ACTIVATING THE EXPERIENCE & IGNITING YOUR COMMUNITY - (9:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.)

Cavan in Chris Haispoczer, Bonnechere Caves
 Franison O Grady, Bonnechere Museum

⦿ 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Departure upon completion of afternoon workshops